GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services - P.R. & R.D. Department - Disciplinary proceedings against Smt K.Jamalbee, formerly Senior Auditor, O/o the Assistant Audit Officer, State Audit, Srikalahasti now working as Assistant Audit Officer, O/o the Commissioner, Hindupur Municipality, Hindupur under Rule 20 of the A.P.C.S. (CC&A) Rules, 1991 -Initiated - Articles of Charges - Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (Vig.V) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.373 **Dated:29/05/2024**

Read the following:

1.Vigilance Report No.21(C.No.450/V&E/D2/2018),Dated:29.12.2020, received from the G.A.(V&E) Department.
2.U.O.Note No.FIN01-HODS0ADSA(ESM)/27/2021-ADMN-III,Dt.12.12.2021 received from the Finance Department.
3.From Director, State Audit Department, Mangalagiri, AP Letter Roc. No.1401878/ L/2023 dated:09/12/2023.
4. G.O.Ms.No.42, PR&RD (VIG-V) Department, dated:29/05/2024.

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O R D E R:

It is proposed to hold an enquiry against Smt K.Jamalbee, formerly Senior Auditor, O/o the Assistant Audit Officer, State Audit, Srikalahasti now working as Assistant Audit Officer, O/o the Commissioner, Hindupur Municipality, Hindupur, conducted the audit of contingency bills without verifying the signatures of Panchayat Secretary in the Contingency form which shows callousness in their casual auditing which is a loss to the Government Exchequer in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the APCS (CCA) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputation of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the enquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of articles of charges (Annexure-I). A list of documents by which, and a list of witnesses by whom, the articles of charges are proposed to be sustained also enclosed (Annexure-II & III).

3. Smt K.Jamalbee, formerly Senior Auditor, O/o the Assistant Audit Officer, State Audit, Srikalahasti now working as Assistant Audit Officer, O/o the Commissioner, Hindupur Municipality, Hindupur, is directed to submit a written statement of her defense within 10 days of receipt of this order.

4. Smt K.Jamalbee, formerly Senior Auditor, O/o the Assistant Audit Officer, State Audit, Srikalahasti now working as Assistant Audit Officer, O/o the Commissioner, Hindupur Municipality, Hindupur, is informed that, an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charge as are not admitted. She should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. Smt K.Jamalbee, formerly Senior Auditor, O/o the Assistant Audit Officer, State Audit, Srikalahasti now working as Assistant Audit Officer, O/o the Commissioner, Hindupur Municipality, Hindupur, is further informed that, if she does not submit her written statement of defense on or before the date of specified in para-3 above, the Authority may hold the inquiry against her ex-parte and further action will be processed based on the material available on record.

6. Attention of Smt K.Jamalbee, formerly Senior Auditor, O/o the Assistant Audit Officer, State Audit, Srikalahasti now working as Assistant Audit Officer, O/o the Commissioner, Hindupur Municipality, Hindupur, is invited to Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964 (under) which no Government Servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further her interests in respect of matters pertaining to her service under the Government. If any representation is received on her behalf from another person in

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respect of any matter dealt with these proceedings, it will be presumed that Smt K.Jamalbee, formerly Senior Auditor, O/o the Assistant Audit Officer, State Audit, Srikalahasti now working as Assistant Audit Officer, O/o the Commissioner, Hindupur Municipality, Hindupur, is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at her instance and action will be taken against her for violation of rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of this orders shall be acknowledged along with Annexures-I, II, III & IV forthwith.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Smt K.Jamalbee, formerly Senior Auditor, O/o the Assistant Audit Officer, State Audit, Srikalahasti now working as Assistant Audit Officer, O/o the Commissioner, Hindupur Municipality, Hindupur, through the Director, State Audit Department, A.P., Mangalagiri).
The Director, State Audit Department, AP Mangalagiri - with a request to serve the charges and communicate the dated acknowledgement and Written Statement of Defense if any immediately.
Copy to:
The Finance Department, A.P. Secretariat.
The Secretary to the APVC, A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi.
The PS to Principal Secretary to Government, PR&RD, A.P.,
The Commissioner, Panchayat Raj & Rural Development, A.P., Tadepalli, Guntur District
SC/SF(1365935.)

//FORWARDED BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER

ANNEXURE-I

STATEMENT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SMT K.JAMALBEE, FORMERLY SENIOR AUDITOR NOW ASSISTANT AUDIT OFFICER, O/O COMMISSIONER HINDUPUR MUNICIPALITY, HINDUPUR

Article of Charge -I

That, the said Smt K.Jamalbee, formerly Senior Auditor, Office of the Assistant Audit Officer, State Audit, Srikalahasti now working as Assistant Audit Officer, Office of the Commissioner, Hindupur Municipality. Hindupur has conducted the audit on the accounts of Gram Panchayat, Alathur, B.N. Kandriga Mandal, Chittoor District for the year 2013-14 & 2016-17 during the period from 09-12-2014 to 10-12-2014 & 20-12-2017 to 21-12-2017 relating to the contingent expenditure incurred by Gram Panchayat for purchase of certain items of Electrical goods etc., from the Trader M/S Mohan. The contingent bills do not contain the signature of the Panchayt Secretary of said Gram Panchayat which were drawn by the Sarpanch of Gram Panchayat by signing herself were not properly verified in Audit and simply admitted the illegal and irregular payments to the Trader M/S Mohan of B.N. Kandriga Mandal, Chittoor District and it is loss to the Gram Panchayat funds, thereby she violated Rule 3 of A.P. Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Article of Charge - II

That, the said Smt KJamalbee, formerly Senior Auditor, Office of the Assistant Audit Officer, State Audit, Srikalahasti now working as Assistant Audit Officer, Office of the Commissioner, Hindupur Municipality, Hindupur while conducting the audit on the Accounts of the afore said Gram Panchayat for the year 2013-14 & 2016-17 has derelicted to her legitimate duties as Senior Auditor in conducting the Audit of said Gram Panchayat and admitted in the audit the irregular payments of contingent expenditure of certain purchases through cheque payments to the Trader M/S Mohan, for the Electrical goods for, which cash payments was made instead of through cheque payment thereby she violated Rule 3 of Civil Servants (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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ANNEXURE-II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATIONS OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SMT K.JAMALBEE, FORMERLY SENIOR AUDITOR NOW ASSISTANT AUDIT OFFICER.

Every Government Employee shall be devoted to her duty and shall maintain absolute integrity, discipline, impartiality and a sense of propriety. Smt K.Jamalbee formerly Senior Auditor, Office of the Assistant Audit Officer, State Audit, Srikalahasti now working as Assistant Audit Officer, Office of the Commissioner, Hindupur Municipality, Hindupur has conducted the audit on the accounts of Alathur Gram Panchyat, B.N. Kandriga Mandal, Chittoor District for the year 2013-14 & 2016-17. The said Gram Panchayat has incurred expenditure in purchase of certain items of Electrical goods etc., covered in the following contingent bills.

1. No.92 Dated : 12-12-2013 amounting to Rs.20,000/-
2. No.99 Dated : 01-04-2016 amounting to Rs.60,300/-

The said Senior Auditor has not properly conducted the Audit of said contingent expenditure bills prepared by the said Gram Panchayat which discloses no signature of the Panchayat Secretary on the said contingent bills, but the said expenditure was admitted by her in audit and allowed the irregular and illegal payments to the Trader M/S Mohan of B.N. Kandriga Mandal. this is loss to the funds of Gram Panchayat. The said Auditor has also failed to exercise proper Audit checks and admitted the cash payments that were made by the Gram Panchayat to certain purchased items of Electrical goods etc., instead of cheque payments. This is a clear case of irregular payments to the Trader M/S Mohan of B.N. Kandriga Mandal which is loss to the funds of Gram Panchayat.

The V&E has reported the irregularities in the audit conducted in Alathur Gram Panchyat, B.N. Kandriga Mandal, Chittoor District in their report, are formed basis for this disciplinary proceedings.

Hence, the Charges.

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ANNEXURE-III

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLES OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SMT K.JAMALBEE, FORMERLY SENIOR AUDITOR NOW ASSISTANT AUDIT OFFICER ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED:

The Vigilance Report No.21 (C.No.450/V&E/D2/2018) dated:29.12.2020 of the Director General, Vigilance & Enforcement Department

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ANNEXURE-IV

LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHOM THE ARTICLES OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SMT JAMALBEE, FORMERLY SENIOR AUDITOR NOW ASSISTANT AUDIT OFFICER ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

- NIL-

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